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Surface Transportation Board
Attn: Docket No. EP 526 (Sub-No. 3)
395 E Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20423-0001

Re: RSTAC Vacancy

Dear Chairman Elliott:

My name is Daniel L. Zink, and I am interested in serving on the Railroad-Shipper Transportation Advisory Council as a representative of a Class III railroad per the announcement and decision Docket No. EP 526 (Sub-No. 3).

I currently am Director of Administration for the Red River Valley & Western Railroad (RRV&W), a Class III railroad headquartered in Wahpeton, North Dakota. The RRV&W owns and operates approximately 428 miles of track in North Dakota and Minnesota. In this capacity I am responsible for a variety of administrative tasks including legislative matters, finance and accounting, analysis, HR, contract administration, and support for other departments.

I am a Member of the Board of Directors of the American Short Line and Regional Railroad Association (ASLRRA). I also currently serve as Vice Chairman of the ASLRRA Legislative Policy Committee (LPC), and am a member of the LPC's Truck Size & Weight Committee. I also serve as a member of the Advisory Council of the Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute at North Dakota State University.

I am willing to serve on the RSTAC Committee for the required term of three years.

Please contact me if you have questions or require additional information.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Daniel L. Zink".

Daniel L. Zink
Red River Valley & Western Railroad Co.

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